



Martin & Cyrene Hanley

1814 - 1879

1819 - 1894

Martin F. Hanley migrated to St. Louis from Virginia in 1834. Hanley, a blacksmith, was the proprietor of his own forge, bar and market on land that is today located in University City. He found success in producing plows and other farm implements.

Martin soon married Cyrene Clemens Walton in 1839. Cyrene was born in St. Louis County on her family's estate of Waltondale located in Overland. The marriage of Martin and Cyrene produced 11 children - 10 of which lived long lives.

Once the Hanley family moved into the homestead situated just east of Martin's recently constructed Hanley Road, Martin turned his attention away from blacksmithing and focused primarily on farming.

Hanley Family Members gathered together on the Hanley Farm in 1904.



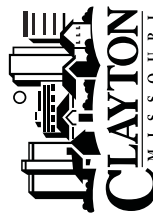
Martin's young sons helped him stack hay in the fields that lay next to Ralph Clayton's estate. James Hanley, the youngest of the Hanley sons, would recall later in life how at harvest time he "hustled through the hay regardless of bumblebees and hornets."



Hours of Operation
 Sat. & Sun. - 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Last tour begins at 3:30 pm
 Mon. - Fri. - By appointment only
 Nov. - Mar. - By appointment only

Admission: \$5
 Children: \$5 per student
 6-12 are \$2
 5 & under are free

Student Tours
 Chaperones are free

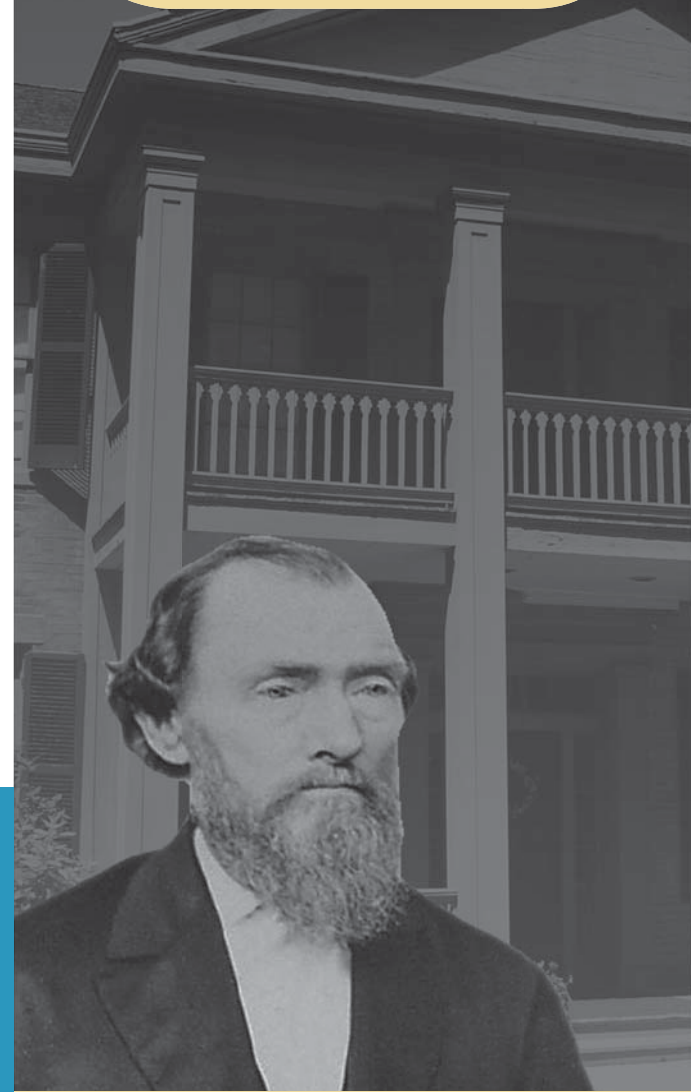


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The Hanley House
 7600 Westmoreland Ave.
 Clayton, MO 63105



The Historic Martin Franklin Hanley House



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The House...

Constructed by Martin F. Hanley in 1855, the Hanley House museum is the oldest surviving structure in the City of Clayton and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The home, built in the Greek revival style, is common of southern farmsteads of the early 19th century, but one visit to the museum will illustrate that its inhabitants were far from ordinary.



Above Left: Henry Hanley, ca. 1880
Above Right: Jennie Hanley Yore, ca. 1865



Nancy Caroline Hanley ca. 1870

Possessing many of the Hanley family's original furniture and artifacts, the home is a window to the past - illuminating the many lives that once lived within its walls. Through its many objects, the museum tells a story depicting the reality of rural life in St. Louis County during the antebellum and post-Civil War years.

Once 100.6 acres of picturesque farmland, the Hanley farm is now just about 1 acre of parkland on which still stands the Hanley farmstead and detached kitchen. When standing on the back porch of the house the words of Clem Yore, grandson to Martin and Cyrene Hanley, come to mind. In a letter to his Aunt, Clem wrote:

*"Where at night I hear
whippoorwills and katydids ...
I think of the back porch and the
luxurious Missouri sky before
and under which I spent the most
happy moments of my life."*

From a letter to Nancy Caroline "Aunt Cal"
Hanley from Clem Yore, dated May 2, 1894.
Historic Hanley House Collection.



Just for Kids...

The Hanley House has always been a welcoming, country respite for children. The museum is still proud to entertain and educate children under the "luxurious Missouri sky." We hope that you will consider taking advantage of one of the many kid's programs that the Historic Hanley House has to offer.

Calling All Scouts!

Bring your troop to the Hanley House to help fulfill one of their requirements. All Scout tours cost \$10 per child and chaperones are free. The materials fee is included in the cost of the tour.



Girl Scouts can fulfill

- ↳ Folk Arts Badge
- ↳ Toymaker Badge
- ↳ Local Lore Badge

Boy Scouts can fulfill

- ↳ Archaeology Merit Badge

Programs for younger scouts are also available.

Children's Tours

The cost for a regular tour for children including a take-home craft is \$5 per child. Tours that include a craft and coloring book for each child are available for \$10 per child. Chaperones are free.



Private Parties

Book a Birthday Party at the Historic Hanley House! Birthday Parties and Tea Parties are available. A costumed guide will be on-hand to help celebrate your special event. Visit our website for more information.



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